

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend Claims 1-5 as follows.

1. (Currently Amended) An image forming apparatus, comprising:

an apparatus main ~~assembly, and~~ assembly; and

a process cartridge detachably mountable to said apparatus main assembly, said process cartridge including:

a driving force receiver receiving means configured and positioned to be connected to ~~driving a driver means~~ of said apparatus main ~~assembly and~~ apparatus; and

a ~~noncontact~~ non-contact memory configured and positioned to perform for noncontact non-contact data communication with a data receiver receiving means of said apparatus main assembly,

wherein said apparatus main assembly performs rotational ~~drive~~ driving of the ~~drive means driver~~ of said apparatus main assembly before reading out data from ~~the noncontact said non-contact~~ memory.

2. (Currently Amended) An apparatus according to Claim 1, wherein ~~the said~~ driving force ~~receiving means~~ receiver and ~~the said non-contact noncontact~~ memory are disposed on the same side of said process cartridge.

3. (Currently Amended) An apparatus according to Claim 1, wherein there is a gap between the data receiver of said apparatus main assembly and said non-contact memory, and wherein the rotational ~~drive~~ driving of the ~~drive means driver~~ of said apparatus main assembly exerts a force on said process cartridge in a direction to narrow the ~~of narrowing a~~ gap between the ~~receiving means the data receiver and the noncontact said non-contact~~ memory.

4. (Currently Amended) An apparatus according to Claim 1, wherein said apparatus main assembly includes:

an open/closed close member configured and positioned to be means for being opened
and closed at the time of mounting and ~~dismounting~~ dismounting of said process cartridge; and
an open/closed close detector detection member for detecting configured and
positioned to detect an open/closed close state of said open/closed close member means, and
wherein said apparatus main assembly performs rotational drive driving of the driver
of said apparatus main assembly, by the drive means when said open/closed close detector
~~detection member~~ detects that said open/closed close member means is shifted from an open state
to a ~~close~~ closed state.

5. (Currently Amended) An apparatus according to Claim 1, wherein said process cartridge further includes a photosensitive member, which is rotated by a driving force received by the driving force receiver receiving means.